



Friends of WOSU Board

August 31, 2018

Dear Shannon Hardin,

I currently serve on the Friends of WOSU Board, an advisory group of central Ohio citizens, which acts as a liaison between WOSU Public Media and the community.

One of WOSU's strategic vision statements is to be the foremost connection to arts, music and cultural experiences to the communities it serves. It does this through quality PBS and NPR programming, *Classical 101*, the only all-day classical music radio station in central Ohio, *Broad & High*, the Emmy award winning television series about our community artists, and by being the broadcast home for myriad local performers, artists, musicians and creatives to tell their stories.

By supporting the proposed ticket fee, you will help WOSU Public Media continue to bring arts and culture to a diverse audience in Columbus and allow our nonprofit partners to thrive and prosper. This fee will improve the economic vitality and quality of life for our city and for Franklin County.

There are many things that make Columbus a special place to live and visit. The spirit of our community is enriched by the arts, music and cultural experiences that touch the souls of our citizens. Please help ensure that these offerings grow in number and impact to continue to enhance the way of life Columbus residents and visitors enjoy!

Thank you for your thoughtful review of the upcoming proposal and potential legislation for the ticket fee. In order for our region to continue to be able to flourish, and for WOSU be able to continue its mission to engage, inform and inspire, more support for arts and culture is imperative.

Regards,

Kathy McGinnis